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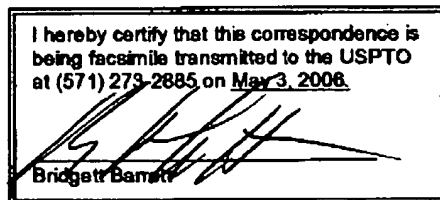
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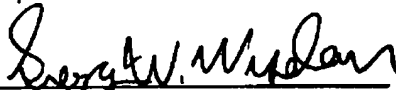
COMMENTS ON
STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed March 22, 2006 and the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance dated March 13, 2006, Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusions regarding patentability of the allowed claims, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, Applicants believe that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to teach, anticipate or render obvious the invention as claimed, independent of how the invention is paraphrased.



Respectfully submitted,

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